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SUMMARY: JCP PROPOSAL FOR QTE JAPAN'S FIRST DEMOCRATIC COALITION GOVERNMENT UNQTE ANNOUNCED OCTOBER 10 DISCLOSES MODERATE SHIFT TO MORE FLEXIBLE LINE WITH EXPLICIT SUPPORT FOR RETENTION OF PRESENT CONSTITUTION AND EMPEROR SYSTEM. HOWEVER, TRADITIONAL COMMUNIST LINE RETAINS HIGH VISIBILITY IN SECTIONS DEALING WITH SECURITY AND ECONOMIC ISSUES. PROPOSAL SHOULD SPARK LIVELY RESPONSE FROM OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES WHICH ALSO DEVELOPING OWN CONCEPTS OF COALITION GOVERNMENT, AND SHOULD SERVE AS FOCUS FOR DEBATE AS ALL PARTIES PREPARE FOR 1974 UPPER HOUSE ELECTION. END SUMMARY.

1. JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ANNOUNCED ITS COMPREHENSIVE PROPOSAL FOR QTE JAPAN'S FIRST DEMOCRATIC COALITION GOVERNMENT UNQTE AT CONCLUSION OF TWELFTH PLENUM OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE. COMPLETE
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TEXT CARRIED IN OCTOBER 10 ISSUE OF AKAHATA RUNS SEVEN FULL

NEWSPAPER PAGES. TWELFTH PARTY CONVENTION WHICH MEETS NOVEMBER 14 EXPECTED TO APPROVE DRAFT PROPOSALS WITH FEW, IF ANY CHANGES. SUMMARY OF MAIN POINTS FOLLOWS.

2. JCP PROPOSES THAT DEMOCRATIC COALITION GOVERNMENT ABROGATE US-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY AND RELATED AGREEMENTS WITH DIET APPROVAL, LEADING TO REMOVAL OF ALL US MILITARY INSTALLATIONS FROM JAPAN. COALITION GOVERNMENT WOULD THEN ASK DIET TO ISSUE DECLARATION OF JAPAN'S MILITARY NEUTRALITY, AND WOULD TAKE STEPS TO JOIN CONFERENCE OF NON-ALIGNED NATIONS. JCP ALSO PROPOSES THAT EFFECTIVE STEPS BE TAKEN TO PREVENT REVIVAL OF MILITARISM IN JAPAN. IF COALITION CONSENSUS PERMITS, JCP PROPOSES OUTRIGHT ABOLITION OF SELF-DEFENSE FORCES. SHOULD CONSENSUS BE LACKING, HOWEVER, JCP WOULD SEEK REDUCTION OF SDF NUMBERS, AND WOULD PROVIDE OUT-PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE TO SDF MEMBERS WHO WISH TO FIND PEACEFUL JOBS OUTSIDE.

3. JCP PROPOSES THAT PRESENT CONSTITUTION AND EMPEROR SYSTEM BE RETAINED, WITH RESTRICTIONS AGAINST EMPEROR'S PARTICIPATION IN POLITICS.

4. IN ECONOMIC SECTION, JCP PROPOSES TO CONTINUE TO DEVELOP JAPAN'S TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH UNITED STATES ON QTE PEACEFUL BASIS UNQTE. REFLECTING URGENCY OF ENERGY CRISIS JCP PROPOSES TO NATIONALIZE ENERGY INDUSTRY INTO SINGLE, LARGE QTE PUBLIC ENERGY CORPORATION UNQTE. HOWEVER, JCP PROPOSES TO EXERCISE CARE IN NATIONALIZING OTHER JAPANESE ENTERPRISES. REFORM OF CURRENT SYSTEM WHICH FAVORS BIG BUSINESS WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED TO PROTECT INTERESTS OF MASSES, WITH PRICES TO BE STABILIZED, BANK OF JAPAN AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL BANKING FACILITIES TO BE QTE DEMOCRATIZED UNQTE AND NATIONAL BUDGET TO BE REORIENTED TO PROVIDE STABILIZATION OF PEOPLES' LIVELIHOOD. JCP PROPOSAL ALSO LOOKS TO QTE SECOND POSTWAR LAND REFORM UNQTE TO REDISTRIBUTE LAND OWNED BY BIG BUSINESS TO PEOPLE IN QTE DEMOCRATIC MANNER UNQTE.

5. JCP PROPOSES 40 HOUR, 5 DAY WORK WEEK.

6. POLICE ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE REFORMED WITH NEW EMPHASIS ON CRIME PREVENTION, TRAFFIC SAFETY AND DISASTER RELIEF. PUBLICLY LICENSES GAMBLING, I.E., HORSE AND BICYCLE RACING, WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MADE MORE QTE HEALTHY UNQTE.

7. JCP PROPOSES TO QTE DEMOCRATIZE UNQTE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM, WITH EMPHASIS ON PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, CIVICS, CHARACTER BUILDING AND PROMOTION OF HEALTH.

8. JCP CHAIRMAN KENJI MIYAMOTO HAILED NEW PROGRAM IN PRESS CONFERENCE AS QTE MORE ATTAINABLE CONCEPT UNQTE UNDER

PRESENT DAY CONDITIONS IN JAPAN. HE FORECAST THAT JCP
COULD CONCEIVABLY WIN NEXT GENERAL ELECTION, SHOULD PARTY
CONTINUE TO EXPAND ITS VOTING STRENGTH AT CURRENT RATE OF INCREASE.

9. COMMENT: JCP PROPOSAL IS TIMED TO SEEK ADVANTAGE IN
1974 UPPER HOUSE ELECTION, AS WELL AS IN SHARP CONFRONTATION
WITH OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES OVER SHAPE OF POSSIBLE COALITION
GOVERNMENT WHICH MIGHT FOLLOW LOSS OF POWER BY LDP. TO BEGIN
WITH, HOWEVER, INSISTENCE ON ABROGATION OF US-JAPAN SECURITY
TREATY ALIENATES DSP. SIMILARLY, OTHER PORTIONS DO NOT REST
WELL WITH JSP OR KOMEITO. SOFTENING OF TRADITIONAL
POSITION IN FAVOR OF RETENTION OF EMPEROR SYSTEM AND SOFT-SPOKEN
HINT OF WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT CONTINUED, ALBEIT DIMINISHED;
ROLE OF SDF HIGHLIGHTS EXTENT TO WHICH JCP WILLING TO TRY
TO CONVINCE JAPANESE PEOPLE THAT IT CAN FUNCTION IN DEMOCRATIC,
PARLIAMENTARY MANNER. END COMMENT.
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